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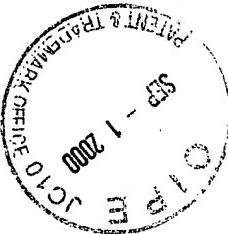
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(c) - 1.98, Applicants wish to bring to the attention of the United States Patent Examiner the following reference which was disclosed during an official search for a co-pending Australian patent application:

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4,330,857

Alvarez, III et al.

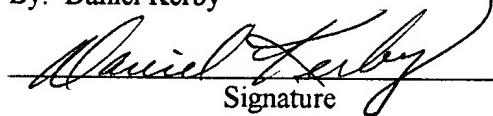
A copy of this reference is enclosed herewith and is listed on the attached PTO Form 1449.

The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that the reference contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would help further the prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed telephone number.

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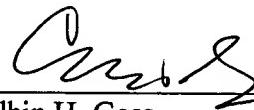


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